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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 41.31, applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the examiner dated 03/03/2006, finally rejecting claims 1-21.

In accordance with 37 CFR 41.37, applicants herewith enclose a Notice of Appeal (PTO/SB/31); and an Appeal Brief.

Please charge the \$500.00 fee for the Notice of Appeal under 37 CFR 41.20(b)(1) and the \$500.00 fee for filing a Brief in support of Appeal, in accordance with 37 CFR 41.20(b)(2), to Deposit Account No. 07-0865 of General Electric Company in accordance with the attached Fee Transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

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